

Butler Transportation LLC PO Box 77793 Seattle, WA 98177

June 10, 2015

The Honorable Gregory J. Kopta Administrative Law Judge Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: Butler Transportation LLC Penalty Assessment: TE-151012

Dr. Judge Kopta,

I would to request consideration to waive or reduce the penalty on my company for the delayed filing of our 2014 annual report.

We did receive the 2014 annual report forms on 3/6/15 and my bookkeeper and I worked on completing the report. Due to complex requirements of the form, it took several days to acquire all the needed information. I was under the impression that our bookkeeper was handling the filing of the report, in turn she thought I was filing it. We in no way intended not to file our annual report on time but because the mix-up we were late in submitting it. As soon as I received notice that the report was not filed, I had our bookkeeper complete the reports online that same day at 9:30pm on 6/8/15.

I would like to ask if you would please consider waiving or reduce the penalty this time since it is our first offence. I thank you for your consideration in this matter and hope your decision is favorable.

Sincerely,

Feremy Butler / Ant

Jeremy Butler, Vice President

## WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

## PENALTY ASSESSMENT TE-151012

PLEASE NOTE: You must complete and sign this document, and send it to the Commission within 15 days after you receive the penalty assessment. Use additional paper if needed.

I have read and understand RCW 9A.72.020 (printed below), which states that making false statements under oath is a class B felony. I am over the age of 18, am competent to testify to the matters set forth below and I have personal knowledge of those matters. I hereby make, under oath, the following statements.

Payment of penalty. I admit that the violations occurred. I have: [] 1.

[] Enclosed \$ in payment of the penalty

 [ ] Submitted my payment of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ online at www.utc.wa.gov.

 My confirmation number is \_\_\_\_\_\_.

- [ ] 2. Request for a hearing. I believe that one or more of the alleged violations did not occur, for the reasons I describe below, and I request a hearing based on those reasons for a decision by an administrative law judge:
- [] 3. Application for mitigation. I admit the violations, but I believe that the penalty should be reduced for the reasons set out below:
  - [] a) I ask for a hearing to present evidence on the information I provide above to an administrative law judge for a decision
  - OR [x] b) I ask for a Commission decision based solely on the information I provided in my letter dated 6/10/15.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing, including information I have presented on any attachments, is true and correct.

Dated: June 10, 2015 [month/day/year], at Seattle, WA [city, state]

RCW 9A.72.020:

"Perjury in the first degree. (1) A person is guilty of perjury in the first degree if in any official proceeding he makes a materially false statement which he knows to be false under an oath required or authorized by law. (2) Knowledge of the materiality of the statement is not an element of this crime, and the actor's mistaken belief that his statement was not material is not a defense to a prosecution under this section. (3) Perjury in the first degree is a class B felony."